

# ETV spices viewing with variety

A reenactment of historic debates on the presidency, a probe into the workings of a juvenile court, an inside look at the lives of modern day cowboys and a comic opera combine to offer a wide variety of programming this week on the Nebraska ETV Network. In Philadelphia in 1787,

delegates from the thirteen colonies gathered at Independence Hall to frame a national constitution. Among the most crucial problems confronting them was to define the powers and responsibilities of the presidency.

Now, in 1974, a distinguished panel of

historians, politicians and social thinkers has again assembled at this historic site to re-examine the origins of the presidency and how the office of the presidency has evolved over nearly two hundred years.

An authentic fully costumed dramatic re-creation of the original debates on the presidency has been paired with a contemporary re-examination for the special program, "Shall We Have A King?" The 90-minute broadcast will be seen Thursday, June 20, at 7 p.m. on stations of the Nebraska ETV Network.

The initial question posed is "Has the office of the presidency become more powerful than the founding fathers intended it to be?" The NETV viewer will see that some of the same problems that confronted the country in 1787 confront the nation today and some of the same issues are still being debated.

Documentary filmmaker Fred Wiseman has been called the most sophisticated

intelligence to enter the documentary field in recent years. Wednesday, June 19, at 7 p.m., the Nebraska ETV Network presents Wiseman's award-winning "Juvenile Court." The film takes a probing look at the tension-filled relations between children in trouble and the adults responsible for employing a system of laws to decide their futures. Viewers witness the arrests and confrontations of the offenders, their families, and the army of social workers, probation officers, and psychiatrists.

This special three-hour program is presented in two segments. The first is the two hour and 20-minute film "Juvenile Court." The second segment, "Fred Wiseman Filmmaker," features a discussion by Lincoln attorneys, a social worker and members of the film unit of the Nebraska ETV Network. The discussion touches such subjects as plea-bargaining, how Wiseman picks a location for this type of film and the technical aspects of filming such a documentary.

In a light vein NETV presents a documentary on cowboys. George Salisbury, Steve Adams and Ike Herold—they are the cowboys of the 70's, working with sheep and cattle twelve hours a day, mending fences, breaking horses, and occasionally relaxing in town and at rodeos. A tough life, but to them the only way to live.

Their story is told on the "Life Adventure Special" the premiere program, "Cowboy," airing on the statewide Nebraska ETV Network, Friday, June 21, at 6:30 p.m.

Their land is the Snake River Valley in Wyoming, and their town is Baggs (population 125), a classic cowtown of American literature, which used to be frequented by "Butch" Cassidy and other notorious types who have become legend.

ETV viewers will get a glimpse into the world of "The Lion and Androcles," a comic opera by John Eaton, when the Nebraska ETV Network broadcasts a repeat of the popular Greek fable Sunday, June 16, at 5 p.m., repeating

Tuesday, June 18, at 7 p.m.

In a delightful tale with a happy ending, Androcles is accused of stealing King Anthos' mushrooms. He is condemned for mushroom theft and is doomed to death in the arena. But a lion named Alexander and a cast of 75 fourth graders save Androcles.

The cast includes William Reeder as Androcles, William Oberholzer as Alexander Lion and Michael Rocchio as King Anthos.

In presenting controversial subjects ETV uses a debate format to answer the questions. Should the United States claim jurisdiction over fisheries to a limit of 200 miles off U.S. shores? Should Congress act to support American deep sea mining operations? These two controversial questions are debated on a special program "The Law of the Sea" on the "Advocates" series, Sunday, June 16, at 3 p.m. on the Nebraska ETV Network. The program repeats Thursday, June 20, at 8:30 p.m. and Friday, June 21, at 2 p.m. This two-hour special program coincides with the opening of the United Nations Law of the Sea Conference in Caracas, Venezuela.

The Advocates' purpose in debating these issues is to call attention to the fact that 70 percent of the earth's surface is ungoverned by law and to note the beginning of the Law of the Sea Conference in Caracas where, after years of preparatory meetings, all the nations of the U.N. will come together to deal with what many have called the most important set of problems for the next 50 years.

Other programs of special interest to ETV viewers this week include:

—"The American Press and the Revolutionary Tradition" will be discussed on "Distinguished Lecture Series on the Bicentennial," Tuesday, June 18, at 3 p.m.

—Actress Margo Barnett presents a one woman show giving insight into the Black experience in America on "Black Is A Beautiful Woman" Tuesday, June 18, at 8 p.m. Poetry and prose readings include selections from Richard Wright, Langston Hughes, and Nikki Giovanni.

—"Housing for Family Needs" is this week's topic on the fast-moving game show about money management, hosted by Allen Ludden, "You Owe It To Yourself" will be broadcast Tuesday, June 18, at 9 p.m., repeating Saturday, June 22, at 3 p.m.

—Programs concerning women are featured for Saturday evening viewers this week on ETV. Women from different segments of society with varying goals, interests and concerns, are the focus of "Woman Alive!" airing Saturday, June 22, at 7:30 p.m. Comedienne Lily Tomlin and author Gloria Steinem are among featured guests.

"Joyce At 34" is a moving film portrait about one woman who reconciles her desire to have a child, be a good mother, and continue to pursue her career. "Joyce At 34" will be broadcast Saturday, June 22, at 8:30 p.m.

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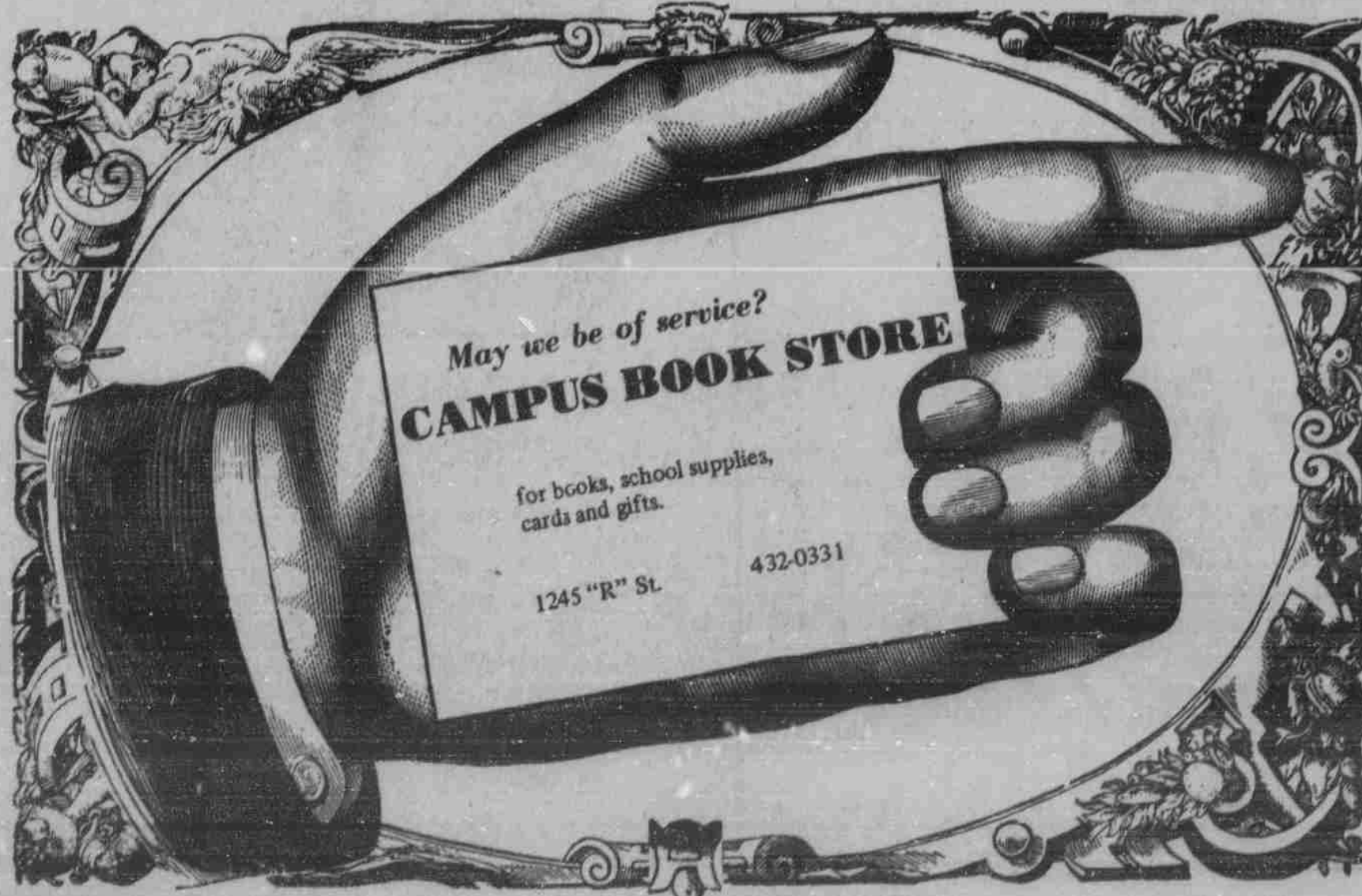


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